

STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTIES OF ARANSAS §
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CITY OF ARANSAS PASS §

On this the 2nd day of March, 2015 the City Council of the City of Aransas Pass convened in a Regular Meeting being open to the Public at the regular meeting place thereof in the City Hall and notice of said meeting giving the time, place, date and subject hereof having been posted and prescribed by Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code with the following attendance to wit constituting a quorum.

PRESENT:

Adan Chapa	Mayor
Vickie Abrego	Mayor Pro Tem
Ramiro Gomez	Council Member
Billy Ellis	Council Member
Phillip Hyatt	Council Member

ABSENT:

ADMINISTRATIVE
PERSONNEL PRESENT:

Allen Lawrence	City Attorney
Sylvia Carrillo	City Manager
Yvonne Stonebraker	City Secretary

ADMINISTRATIVE
PERSONNEL ABSENT:

STAFF PRESENT:

Eric Blanchard	Police Chief
Robert Brake	Code Enforcement Officer
Fernando Quintanilla	Public Works Director
Manuela Camarillo	Parks & Rec Director
Jeff Martin	I.T.

OTHERS PRESENT:

Donald Brummett, Carrie Scruggs, Joe & Monica Dominguez, Annita West/Aransas Pass Progress, Randall Freeze, Marcel Poirrier, Jr, Rosemary Vega/Chamber of Commerce, Juan Perales, Jr, Mark Kemp, and David Rector.

There may have been others present who did not sign in.

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER.**

Mayor Chapa opened the meeting at 7:00 P.M.

2. **INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE UNITED STATES FLAG.**

Mayor Chapa led the Invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag.

3. **CONSENT AGENDA – “ALL OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA ARE CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE BY THE CITY COUNCIL AND WILL BE ENACTED WITH ONE MOTION. THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF THESE ITEMS UNLESS A COUNCILMEMBER SO REQUESTS. IF DISCUSSION IS DESIRED, THAT ITEM WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA AND WILL BE CONSIDERED SEPARATELY”.**

A. ORDINANCE NO. 2015-4103 - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SEC. 19.5-2- “ORGANIZED ACTIVITIES” OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ARANSAS PASS, TEXAS, TO REFLECT THE CREATION OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION AND A DEPOSIT FOR PARK RESERVATIONS; PROVIDING A REPEALER CLAUSE; AND, PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

B. ORDINANCE NO. 2015-4104 - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 29-28 "WATER RATES" OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ARANSAS PASS, TEXAS; AND, PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Motion Made By: Council Member Hyatt

Seconded By: Council Member Ellis

Votes: Aye Hyatt, Ellis, Abrego, Gomez, Chapa

Discussion: Council Member Hyatt made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Council Member Ellis seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

4. CITIZENS' COMMENTS.

Name: Annita West/ Aransas Pass Progress

Address: 2135 W. Wheeler

Concern: Ms. West stated she was glad that the City of Aransas Pass and the Aransas Pass Independent School District was meeting. She stated she had put together packets on Bullying and would like to hand out a copy to each city and school board member.

Departments Affected:

5. CITY MANAGER UPDATES

Discussion: City Manager Carrillo stated on March 12th, there will be a meeting to discuss the Aransas Pass levee. She stated there will be talks with FEMA and concerned citizens of Bay Harbor. She stated the FEMA Flood Maps changed drastically and is making flood insurance for Bay Harbor residents very expensive. City Manager Carrillo stated the City of Aransas Pass will be filing an appeal with support letters from the Bay Harbor Homeowners Association, Congressman Farenthold, Representative Lozano, Representative Zaffarini and Senator Kolkorst. She stated, at best, flood insurance rates would stay the same, or at worst, the rates would increase. She stated, again, that the FEMA meeting would be on Thursday, March 12th at 7:00 PM. She stated it would probably be held at the Civic Center. She stated the trips to Austin turned out very good for Aransas Pass and had a one-on-one with Commissioner Jeb Bush, Texas General Land Office. She stated he is in support of Conn Brown Harbor Project and the overall growth of Aransas Pass. Senator Kolkorst promised help with anything Aransas Pass needed. City Manager Carrillo stated she would be in Nueces County Commissioners Court on Wednesday, March 4th and would be presenting the TURZ. Lastly, staff would like to invite City Council to the Staff Appreciation Day on Thursday, March 5, 2015 at the Public Works Department from 12:30 PM to 1:30 PM.

6. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING.

Motion Made By: Council Member Hyatt

Seconded By: Council Member Gomez

Votes: Aye Hyatt, Gomez, Abrego, Ellis, Chapa

Mayor Chapa adjourned the meeting at 7:10 PM

The Joint Workshop meeting will be called to order immediately following adjournment of the Regular City Council meeting.

1. CALL JOINT WORKSHOP MEETING TO ORDER.

Mayor Chapa called the Joint Workshop Meeting to Order at 7:11 PM.

2. REVIEW AND DISCUSS COMMON GOALS AND ISSUES CONCERNING THE CITY OF ARANSAS PASS AND ARANSAS PASS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT.

Discussion: City Manager Carrillo presented the powerpoint presentation from the Town Hall Meeting on Tuesday, February 3rd. City Manager Carrillo stated coming from a town with over 300,000, and understanding

development as much as she does, and understanding breaking ground on a new school building and already needing portable buildings for that new school, she would like for the City and the School to be on the same page with the new development. She stated her, Mr. Kemp (APISD) and Rosemary Vega (Chamber of Commerce) have been meeting and discussing school issues. City Manager Carrillo stated Aransas Pass was the fifth largest port in the area. She stated Aransas Pass had rail, road and air and development was coming our way. She stated Aransas Pass is in need of rooftops, police, fire, sewer and water. City Manager Carrillo updated city council and the school district on all Planned Unit Developments coming to Aransas Pass. She stated there were approximately 3,000, twenty-five foot lots on the north side of town that were un-developable and 1,000 on south side. She stated staff has had discussions with Planning Commission to make those lots developable. City Manager Carrillo showed everyone pictures of homes that were 18 feet wide and 1,400 to 1,600 square feet of livable space. She stated businesses are taking up motels, apartment complexes and HEB in Portland was adding a Chinese food section. Mr. Kemp, APISD, stated APISD would keep up their dialogue with the city and once a month would run an ad in the paper featuring school activities. Mayor Chapa thanked the school board for attending the workshop.

3. CITIZENS COMMENTS.

Ms. Carrie Scruggs asked if the school did not have enough money to build a new school. Mr. Kemp stated no, the school district would need between ten and twelve million dollars for a new elementary school. Ms. Scruggs stated it was imperative Aransas Pass ISD build a new school. She stated citizens looked at the school districts before deciding to move to a city. Mr. Rudy Abrego stated he would like to see our employees, who live outside city limits, move to Aransas Pass once the new subdivisions are complete.

4. ADJOURNMENT OF JOINT WORKSHOP MEETING.

Mayor Chapa adjourned the Workshop Meeting at 8:11PM.

Adan Chapa, Mayor

Attest:

Yvonne Stonebraker, City Secretary

